DEPARTMENT OF STATE REVENUE LETTER OF FINDINGS NUMBER: 99-0487 Income Tax For the Years 1996-1999

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ISSUE

I. <u>Income Tax</u>-Imposition

Authority: IC 6-3-2-1, IC 6-3-1-8, 26 USC 1366

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The taxpayer is a shareholder of an Indiana sub chapter S corporation. The Indiana Department of Revenue, hereinafter referred to as the "department," performed an investigation of the sub chapter S corporation. During the investigation, the department learned that the taxpayer had not reported his share of the corporate income on his personal income tax return. The department assessed adjusted gross income tax on the taxpayer's share of the sub chapter S corporation income, penalty, and interest against the taxpayer. The taxpayer protested this assessment and a hearing was scheduled for September 3, 2003. The taxpayer failed to appear or offer any other documentation on his behalf. Therefore, this Letter of Findings is based on the file.

I. Income Tax-Imposition

DISCUSSION

Indiana imposes an adjusted gross income tax on all residents. IC 6-3-2-1. A taxpayer's Indiana income is determined by starting with the federal income and making certain adjustments. IC 6-3-1-8. Income from a sub chapter S corporation flows through to the individual shareholder's personal income for federal tax purposes. 26 USC 1366. Therefore, it also flows through to the individual shareholder's personal income for Indiana tax purposes. The taxpayer failed to report and pay the taxes owing on his share of the income from the sub chapter S corporation. The department properly assessed adjusted gross income tax on the shareholder's income which flowed through from the sub chapter S corporation.

FINDING

The taxpayer's protest is denied

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